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Information Paper

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- DoD has an on-going small effort in the field of paranormal phenomena including remote viewing and remote perturbation.
  - Remote viewing is a phenomenon whereby a subject can access a distant geographic area or facility and describe it (in some cases this includes noises and odors).
  - Remote perturbation involves the ability to move or influence the physical behavior of an inanimate object.
  - There is increasing interest in this area both inside and outside of government.
    - . Congressman Rose (D-NC) (House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence) is a strong believer and has written Ruth Davis of his interest. He has recently talked openly of these phenomena.
    - . The HASC Intelligence Subcommittee has been briefed on non-DoD efforts by SRI personnel.
    - . The NSC Staff is preparing to brief David Aaron and Zbig on the phenomena and DoD efforts.
  - For these reasons, wanted to make SecDef aware of DoD efforts.
- DoD efforts driven by Soviets' high level of interest in possibly exploiting paranormal phenomena for intelligence purposes.
  - DIA conclusions on the Soviet effort based on three DIA studies and one CIA study.
    - . Positive government support.
    - . Some aspects of the program are classified.
    - . Some funding controlled by MOD and possibly KGB.
    - . Staffed by competent scientists.
    - . Tight government control over published research information.
    - . Emphasis on intelligence and military uses.

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- The DoD effort focuses on:
  - . Ascertaining scientifically whether such phenomena may exist.
  - . Determining extent of Soviet use of phenomena for intelligence purposes.
  - . As a subset of Soviet use, the requirement for countermeasures.
  - . Certain aspects of parapsychology appear to show promise for intelligence collection.
- Recent minimal DoD funding has been primarily DIA, Army and Air Force.
- The DoD program has been reviewed for propriety and legality.
  - Army and DoD General Counsels.
  - Army medical panel.
- The DoD management structure includes a Steering Committee and Working Group.
  - Steering Committee:
    - . Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Policy Review)
    - . Deputy Under Secretary of Defense R&E (Research & Advanced Technology)
    - . Army, Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
    - . Navy, Naval Intelligence Command
    - . Air Force, Assistant Chief of Staff Intelligence
    - . DIA, Deputy Director for S&T Intelligence (Chairman)
  - Working Group:
    - . DUSDR&E (R&AT)
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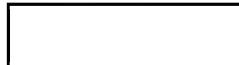
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- Some examples of interest (cannot determine the scientific validity of the examples).
- In 1977-78, SRI conducted some experiments in remote viewing for DIA.
  - The individual who was to do the remote viewing was provided only geographic coordinates and asked to report his observations.

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- . Site selected was in [redacted] (subject was only given geographic coordinates).
- . Subjects reporting contrasted with DIA intelligence holdings reveal:

What Subject Reported

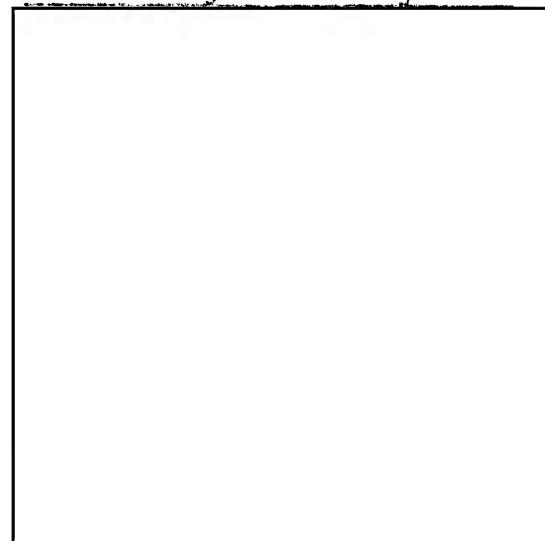
"...I see some tall smoke-stacks, like a refinery or factory. Those seem to be at some distance."

"...This looks like it's in a valley."

"...Over here are, I'm not quite sure i have my directions right, but there's a stand of pine trees."

"...Looks like a military storage thing with lots of low sort of covered-in-the-ground types of storage facilities."

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"...I seem to feel that there must be things in this valley that are either partly or wholly subterranean. It gives me an uncomfortable feeling, this place."

"The thing that comes to mind ...like it's a storage center for gas, poisonous gases."

"Then I feel that there's a great many pipes on conduits of some sort...coolants... refrigeration on top of things to keep things cold..."

"...That factory is coming closer now."

"Well, I seem to see that there's lots of things like big cannons covered in grease."

"Inside that there seems to be powder, black blackish powders."

"Tunnels that go between these places. I guess narrow gauge railways in so they move things around."

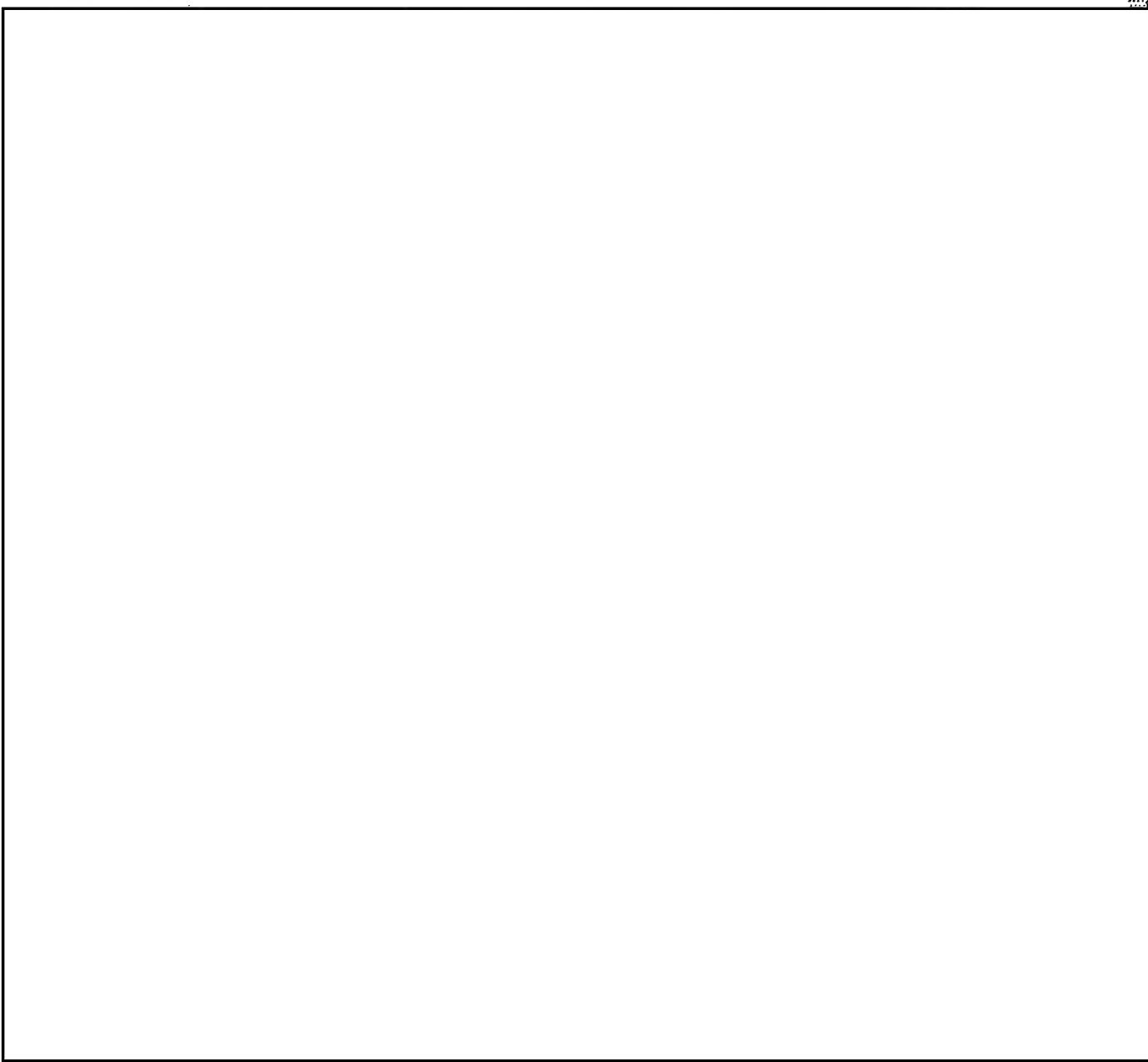
"My estimate would be that the factory and the storage facility are not necessarily associated."

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- Remote viewing application to operational problem.

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- In 1973, SRI conducted a remote viewing experiment for CIA.
  - Subject was given the coordinates of the PNUTS site at Semipalatinsk, USSR and told it was a R&D facility (then identified as unidentified R&D Facility 3).
  - Overnight subject produced a drawing of what he had seen. He further mentioned it was a "damned big crane" because he had seen a man walk by and he only came up to the axle on the wheel.

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- The attached picture shows the subject drawing on lower right [redacted] The gantry crane is a multi-story crane mounted on tracks.
  - He also described sections of a sphere lying on the ground and estimated the completed sphere at about 35 feet in diameter.

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- If you are queried, recommend that you:
  - Acknowledge DoD is studying reports of certain paranormal phenomena that derive from allegations and experiments whose scientific value is uncertain.
  - Indicate you hold no brief for or against the existence of such phenomena but that a very modest and carefully controlled program is being undertaken to try to establish their existence.
- In the event you want more information, I'll ask Gene Tighe to do a more detailed briefing.

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